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1. Using the published estimate as the basis for projecting Soviet Bloc capabilities through mid-1954, the following comments are submitted:

a. Bloc Military Strength, pages 3 & 4:

(1) Para 23 -- no change.

(2) Para 24(c) -- A total of approximately 260 major surface vessels and 471 submarines including 153 long-range types.

(3) Para 28, 3rd sentence insert "adequate" between "provide defense". 4th sentence, add "significantly" after the word "change".

b. Bloc Military Capabilities, pages 4 & 5:

(1) The overall naval capabilities of the Bloc will be enhanced during the period by means of increases in surface, air and submarine units, development of new weapons and equipment, and a continuation of the intensive training program. Specific naval capabilities will remain as stated, although the ability of the Bloc to undertake the specified missions will be relatively greater than in the period of the basic estimate.

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